

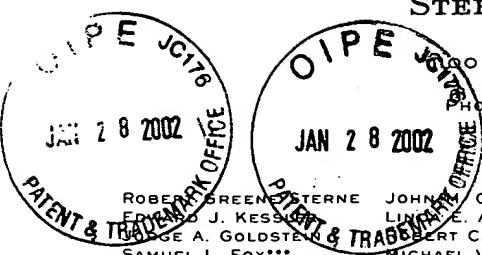
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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/986,764; Filed: November 9, 2001  
For: **Method and Apparatus for Reducing DC Offsets  
in a Communication System**  
Inventors: Rawlins *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1744.1330000

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

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3. An executed Declaration for Patent Application;
4. An executed Power of Attorney From Assignee;
5. An executed Certificate Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) with copy of Assignment attached;

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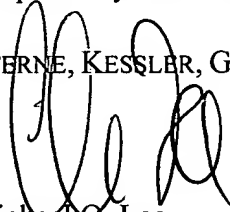
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7. Our check number 34001 for \$1,614.00 to cover: \$740.00 filing fee for patent application; \$576.00 fee for excess claims; \$168.00 fee for independent claims over three; and \$130.00 fee for late filing of oath or declaration.

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Respectfully submitted,

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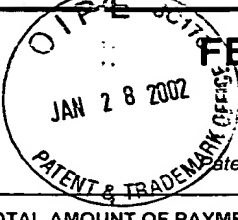
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  - \$576 for 32 total claims over 20.
  - \$168 for 2 independent claims over 3.
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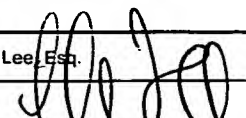
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